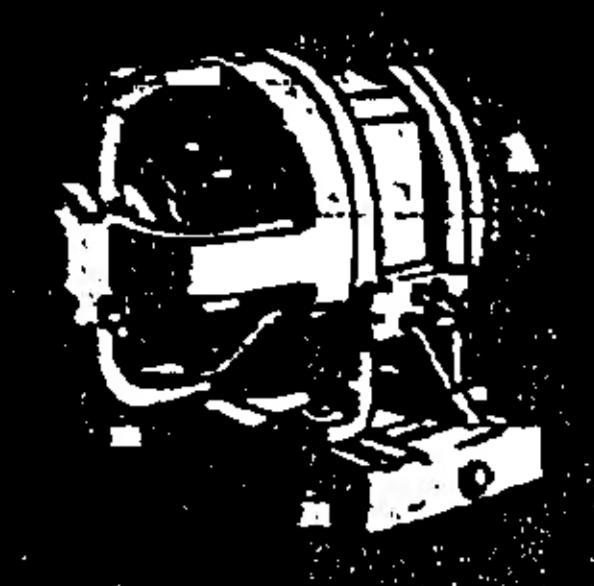


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## THE "MUI TSAI" SYSTEM.

Hongkong Officials Kept Busy by the Strike.

(Reuters Service.)

London, March 7. In the House of Commons, replying to questions with regard to the *Mui Tsai* system in Hongkong, Mr. Churchill pointed out that the hands of the Governor of Hongkong had been exceptionally full owing to the grave situation in connection with the strike, while the Secretary for Chinese Affairs had been working day and night. The Governor had promised an answer to his (Mr. Churchill's) telegraphic enquiries at the earliest possible moment; therefore Mr. Churchill preferred to defer a statement.

## THE POLITICAL CRISIS.

Where France and Germany Agree.

London, March 7. The political crisis has excited intense interest abroad, and it is noteworthy that both French and German comments display anxiety lest Mr. Lloyd George should resign. The former opine that his resignation would endanger the Anglo-French rapprochement and an eventual Alliance, whilst the latter regard Mr. Lloyd George as the protagonist of European reconciliation and reconstruction.

Sir Arthur Balfour Supports Coalition.

London, March 7. Sir Arthur Balfour, at a luncheon in the city arranged by the Carlton Club, referring to Conservative differences on the subject of the Coalition, said he would remain a Conservative till he went to the land where political parties would no longer interest him—daughter. Nevertheless, he emphatically asserted that the country's interests would at present be best served by the Coalition. The two-party system was admirable, but it was a fair weather system, and the Irish settlement illustrated the value of the Coalition. There never was a time when co-operation between the parties was more necessary than now. It was impossible to think that the complex problems of unemployment, India, Egypt, and Ireland could be handled more successfully by a Government drawn from a restricted section of the population than by a Government of all shades of opinion, working harmoniously. He paid a tribute to Mr. Lloyd George as one of the greatest figures in the world's history and asked what was the use of abusing him.

## RUSSIAN FAMINE RELIEF.

Inadequacy of Transport to the Interior.

Washington, March 7. Mr. Hoover declares that during the past month a hundred thousand tons of American seed, wheat, and foodstuffs were unloaded at Black Sea ports, but only 24,000 tons have been transported to the interior.

Over 120,000 tons will be unloaded next month, but there is no indication of any increase in the capacity of the Russian railways to handle them.

## Problem of the Political Refugees.

London, March 7. The problem of the hundreds of thousands of Russian refugees in Europe was raised in the House of Commons. Moving the Supplementary Foreign Office Estimate, Mr. Harmsworth said that it included £300,000, making a total of £11,000,000, for the maintenance in Egypt, Cyprus, and Malta of ex-officers of Denikin's force and their families. The number was originally ten thousand; it was now five thousand, as many joined Wrangel's movement. The League of Nations was considering the question of taking over the whole problem of Russian refugees and placing them in pro-Slav Balkan countries, the cost being met by the Powers interested.

## WOLVERHAMPTON BY-ELECTION.

Unionists Retain Seat.

London, March 7. The by-election at Wolverhampton (West), caused by the death of Sir A. F. Bird, resulted as follows:—

Sir Robert Bird (Coalition Unionist) 16,790

Mr. A. G. Walkden (Labour) 13,799

Unionist majority 2,991

[At the last election, the figures were:—Sir A. F. Bird (Coalition Unionist), 13,329; Mr. Walkden (Labour), 10,158; Unionist majority, 3,171.]

## THE PACIFIC TREATIES.

And the Lansing-Ishii Agreement.

Washington, March 7. The Senate has adopted a resolution submitted by Senator Borah asking President Harding how the Lansing-Ishii Agreement will be affected by ratification of the Four Power Pacific Treaty. Senator Underwood, prior to its adoption, contended that the Agreement would be wiped out by the series of Conference Treaties, because a new arrangement had been substituted to define rights in the Pacific.

## TERrible EXPLOSION AT MUNITION WORKS.

Many Girl Sufferers.

London, March 7. Thirteen girls have died and 11 were seriously injured in an explosion of cartridges at a factory at Tipton, Staffordshire. The victims were trapped in a blazing room and denuded of clothing by the force of the explosion. Some escaped into a yard with burning skin hanging from them. They were wrapped in sacks and sent to hospital, some unrecognizable.

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## END OF THE STRIKE.

## WELCOME TO RETURNING SEAMEN.

## BRITISH CONSUL AT CANTON THREATENED.

Shipowners Again Meeting To-day.

The strike is now almost completely over, insofar as the majority of the strikers are returning to work. Yesterday afternoon a special meeting of the Executive Council was held following which the following notifications were issued:—

No. 114.—Order made by the Governor in Council under the Societies Ordinance No. 8 of 1921, on the 5th day of March, 1922.

The orders made by the Governor in Council under the above Ordinance on the 5th day of February, 1922, defining the Ching Kung Wu, the Lo Tung Ting, Tak Kung Wu, and the Li Po Yuen Kung Wu to be unlawful societies, are rescinded.

No. 115.—Order made by the Governor in Council under section 10 of the Travellers' Restrictive Ordinance, 1915, Ordinance No. 19 of 1915, on the 5th day of March, 1922.

The First Schedule to the Travellers' Restrictive Ordinance, 1915, is amended by the addition of the following clause:—

(b) Persons of Chinese race.

The effect of the above Order in Council is that the police power will not apply to persons of Chinese race.

This satisfied the last of the strikers' demands and to-day there has been a return to work on the part of practically all native labour. Owing to the fact that the seamen have not had time to get down from Canton there has not been a great many men rejoining their ships, and with regard to the houseboys these seem to be drizzling back to work in twos and threes. In all other instances there is almost a total resumption, and the Colony is wearing a much more normal aspect.

The boys of the Hongkong Hotel returned to work last evening and a visit to the Hotel this morning found the staff busy cleaning up and putting things to right. So admirably has this establishment been run during the strike days that the residents and guests are to show their appreciation of the efforts of Mr. and Mrs. Taggart. A notice in the central hall says:—“It is proposed to present Mr. and Mrs. Taggart with a small but tangible mark of appreciation from the guests in this Hotel during the strike.” There will doubtless be a unanimous response.

At the King Edward Hotel matters this morning were not back to normal. The boys of the hotel were expected back this afternoon and the cooks are due to return to-morrow morning. At many of the private hotels the boys were still absent, but it is thought to be only a matter of a day or two before all are working again.

The bakers and pastry-cooks of Messrs. Wiseman's and some other of the bakeries were not on duty to-day but the full staff of the bakery and the cafes are expected to put in an appearance later in the day.

## The Houseboys.

The position regarding the houseboys, who have so far not returned to work in anything like general numbers, seems to be a little obscure. According to one of the morning papers, the houseboys are supposed to be making demands for a higher rate of pay before commencing work, but a visit to Mr. Halifax, the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, failed to bring to light any confirmation of this report. Mr. Halifax stated this morning that he knew of absolutely no reason why the houseboys should not now return to work.

It is expected, now the seamen have begun to arrive back from Canton, that the houseboys will gradually return to their duties.

An Official Statement Awaited.

We are given to understand that an official report of the set-

no reasons, only remained at their work about half an hour and then all downed tools and came out again. This was apparently due to some misunderstanding, the men not knowing that the strike had been definitely settled. They all returned to work this morning and to-day the Dockyard is carrying on as usual.

## Cable Deliveries.

The Cable Companies have been working as usual during the strike with the exception of the delivery of messages, owing to the absence of messengers. The messengers have now returned to work, and the delivery of messages has been resumed.

## WELCOMING STRIKERS BACK.

## Demonstration at Kowloon.

Between forty and fifty seamen were expected to return to the Colony to-day from Shum Chun by the mid day train, and a large crowd gathered in the vicinity of the Kowloon Railway Station this morning to welcome them.

The crowd began to collect at about a quarter to eleven and grew in volume every minute.

A notice in Chinese was posted outside the station stating that only a few strikers were expected to return, those from Canton coming by water, and the crowd then began to disperse.

It may be added that the behaviour of the British Consulate following the period of suspense

following the report of the massacre of Chinese at Shatin was

admirable. Though the Consul General was in Hongkong, his

assistant, Mr. E. S. Sly,

remained calm and refused

to be stampeded by the

panic-stricken residents of

Shamen. If he had landed

marines or taken any other

action which might have aroused

the anger of the excited populace,

there is no telling what may have

happened. As it was, Shamen

remains perfectly free from any

demonstrations whatsoever.

The servants remained at their work, and nobody suffered the least

inconvenience.

It is indicated in a heading in

the *Canton Times* that the threat

was made by letter from a secret

society.]

## British Consul Threatened.

The *Canton Times* of to-day contains the following:—

A most unfortunate incident has arisen because some irresponsible persons have presumed to threaten the British Consul General. Dr. Jamieson was personally present in Hongkong and his skillful methods of disentangling knotty

problems and the benefit of his wide experience, it is doubtful whether the Conference would have ended in so happy a solution.

At the meeting which was held in the Kwangtung Club when the seamen's delegates returned from Hongkong, Governor Chen expressed his satisfaction and relief

that the strike was ended. He urged the seamen to return to work and said that he would take upon himself the amicable settlement of the Shatin incident which must be kept separate from the strike itself.

## Canton Councillor in Trouble.

Our Canton correspondent states that the Executive Department of the Seamen's Union has demanded that the Municipal Councillor, Ma, shall attend a general meeting of the Union to

explain why he declared a few

days ago that one or two of the

seamen should be shot, in order

to stop a series of activities.

It is doubtful whether Ma will comply with the demand.

## Bolshevism?

Another message from our Canton correspondent is to the effect that a Labour and Student Union is said to be in course of organization and that it will subscribe to the doctrines of the Russian Bolsheviks.

## Guild Activity.

Handbills in Chinese have been freely circulated in Hongkong to-day by various guilds, advising members to resume work immediately and stating that if they are not reinstated in their old positions they must report to their guilds, which will redress their grievances.

In this connection, it is reported that the guilds of the houseboys and office staffs will require those of their number who remain in employment to subscribe regularly for the benefit of those unemployed, and that they will later ask for more wages.

## News in To-day's New Advertisements.

The Dairy Farm will resume deliveries of fresh milk and cream as from to-morrow.

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A. S. Watson and Company's annual shareholders' meeting is being held on the 14th instant.

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The Examination Service at the eastern and western entrances of the port has been withdrawn.

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At the 9.15 session at the Hongkong Theatre to-night “The Virgin of Stamboul” is being screened.

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The Concert is showing “The New York Idea” and “The Stage Hand,” whilst the attraction at Kowloon is “Male and Female.” Page 12.

The ordinary yearly meeting of the Hongkong Hotel Company is to be held on March 15.

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Tea and dinner dances at the Hongkong and Repulse Bay Hotels are advertised on page 4.

The Hongkong Hotel Grill Room will be opened as from

to-morrow at breakfast time.

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## To-day's Exchange.

The closing rate of the dollar to-day was £4.13/16d.

The Weather.

8 p.m. Barometer—30.14 Temperature—66 Humidity—66.

Lighting-Up Time.

Lighting-up time to-day 6.30 a.m.

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## A STABLE CHINA.

Minister of Foreign Affairs  
on Regeneration.

Peking, Feb. 22.—On Sunday last your correspondent had the opportunity of having a private conversation at Tungshan with Dr. W. W. Yen, Minister of Foreign Affairs, and, concurrently, Acting Premier. Dr. Yen has kindly given me permission to divulge the tenor of the conversation, although it must be understood that in the remarks he made he was speaking solely as a private citizen and not in an official capacity.

## Vital Factors.

"What, in your opinion, is the best available means of bringing about a stabilized condition of government in China to-day?" I asked.

"It is a difficult question to answer," he replied, "for a stabilized condition of government will must have one Government, and to have one Government we must have the unity of the country restored. Disbandment of superfluous troops is probably the first essential. There must be cooperation among the provinces for their mutual welfare, and they must support their Government. It is doubtful if genuine reunification can be accomplished until superfluous troops are disbanded, and it is known that if troops are disbanded the power of the military in Government affairs is necessarily weak, although there is no real reason why the military powers of to-day, even in view of the influence they wield because of their army strength, should not have a voice in Government affairs if they are men of the right calibre. An early return of Parliament is another vital factor, and is probably one of the quickest means of starting the ball rolling, not only towards reorganization but also towards stabilization of the Government."

"How about Dr. Sun Yat-sen and his anti-North expedition? Do you think he is only bluffing?"

"Dr. Sun's Methods." Dr. Yen replied, "that his expedition has already started. Dr. Sun has proved himself a man of destructive ideals, a radical, a man who seeks to tear down. As far as General Chen Chien-hung's sympathy towards his anti-North expedition is concerned, I am told that General Chen is mainly concerned in restoring normal conditions in Kwantung, and that this opposition to the anti-North expedition comes from his belief that if such an expedition is to be launched it should be fully prepared and equipped and should be suitably based."

"The story has been circulated," I told him, "that there is an agreement between General Chen Chien-hung, General Wu Pei-fu and yourself concerning the Government and that under the terms of this agreement you are to be Premier. Is there anything in this?"

"I can best answer your question," he said, "when I tell you that I have never met either General Chen or General Wu."

Dr. Yen Will Step Out.

"And the present political situation?"

"I have tendered my resignation, which has been returned to me. A new Premier will be chosen and then I shall step out."

"But suppose you are chosen Premier?"

"I hope the choice will not fall upon me," he replied. "I am not shirking my responsibility for the welfare of the people. But I am tired; my eyes are closing out—probably because of so much reading. You asked me once before if I contemplated a trip abroad. Not at the moment. I would prefer to see some parts of my own country which I have not yet visited. I would like to visit Korea and Formosa and see what the Japanese are doing. I would like to visit Siam and India. And a person can rest while travelling. I have been invited to deliver a series of lectures before an international political institute in the United States this August, but I doubt whether I can accept."

I asked Dr. Yen further questions about the political situation, particularly as to the length of time he thought it would require to stabilize conditions in China.

"It cannot be accomplished overnight," he declared with emphasis. "It is going to take time. The militarists are the big factor in national life to-day, and to induce them to step out in favour of Wilson is by no means the greatest difficulty. The world thinks it is one thing to say you are such and such a raffish bloke."

accomplished; it is an entirely different thing to bring about the accomplishment of the reform. I doubt very much if the newspapers or the people realise the efforts that must be exercised to bring about a change of any importance in government.

What China Got in Washington. "Mr. Lenox Simpson," I suggested, "is indulging in much criticism of the Chinese Delegation to the Washington Conference, saying that they obtained from the Powers one-half of what they should have obtained."

"What more could there be expected at this time than they did get?" he countered.

"Mr. Simpson further claims credit for the abrogation of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance," I told him.

"Who cares who got the credit?" he asked. "The Alliance was abrogated, was it not?"

"And Mr. Simpson advocates that at future international conferences men direct from China be sent, letting them use interpreters if necessary, as the French did at Washington."

Dr. Yen reflected.

"There may be something in that," he admitted, "for me thoroughly familiar with conditions at home at the moment of the conference would speak naturally with more detail to back their statements."

"And," I suggested, "Mr. Simpson alleges that he was given what is popularly termed the 'cold shoulder' in Chinese diplomatic circles abroad, but particularly at the Washington Conference."

"Mr. Simpson is a good man," Dr. Yen replied, "and has rendered valuable service to me or ourselves. If, as you say, he went abroad expecting to throw bombs of information in the respective diplomatic circles, and these bombs failed to explode, I do not care to discuss it. Affairs among nations have usually been arranged through diplomatic circles, and I still believe that is the readiest, the most suitable, and the best means of doing so to-day."

Shanghai Times.

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## IN PACE.

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## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

## BRITISH LEGION.

## JAPAN'S SUFFRAGE BILL

## First Annual Meeting.

London, March 7.

Quests at the Lyceum Club Oriental Circle dinner included Sir Brownlee Dabbs, India Officer; Mr. Chu, Chinese Charge of Cafes; Mr. Chu, Japanese Consul General; Doctor Chang of Peking University and others including ladies. Mr. Shrimpton Giles presided.

Sir Brownlee replying to the toast of India opined that the situation in India for the present was most grave. The suggestion of handing over the native States to native administration and doing without British administration was untenable and would constitute almost a betrayal of the people. The great cause of the present difficulties was the establishment of a system of western education which untaught the people of India to work upon raw material and so increase the prosperity of their own country.

Mr. Tokutawa, responding to the toast of Japan, said the forthcoming momentous visit of the Prince of Wales to Japan, which was keenly awaited throughout the country, coupled with the renewal of the Alliance embodied in the new pact which is calculated to cement still further the relations between Britain and Japan.

## TURKISH ENVOY LANDS IN FRANCE.

Paris, March 7.

Yousouf Kemal, who has just arrived in Marseilles, stated to a Harem representative, not only that he will represent Ankara but the whole of the Turkish people in the next conversations. Turkey, having decided to throw back the invader energetically, will also prove that she takes every opportunity, which she can to terminate the war. He considers that the Franco-Turkish Agreement is a prelude of the settlement of the situation in the Near East, which is dominated above all by the Turkish question. Yousouf hopes that after conversations with the authorities of the Entente any doubts will disappear and that other powers will equally appreciate the Pacific disposition of the Turkish people.

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Washington, March 8.

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## SITUATION IN IRELAND.

London, March 8.

Mr. Churchill announced in the House of Commons that a large force of republicans had seized Limerick Town. The British Government would best be discharging its responsibility for law and order by leaving the provisional government to take action.

## THE MURDERED MISSIONARY.

Washington, March 7.

The State Department has requested China to take immediate steps with a view to the apprehension of the murderers of the missionary Skelton.

## ARMS FOR CHINA.

Washington, March 7.

President Harding has issued a proclamation prohibiting the shipment of arms and munitions to China.

## ORDER AT FIUME.

Rome, March 7.

Signor Castelli reports from Fiume that the work of restoration of order is proceeding satisfactorily and uninterruptedly.

## THE DAVIS CUP.

New York, March 7.

Denmark has issued a challenge for the Davis Cup.

## GENERAL NEWS

## THE LATEST ABOUT LIANG

According to the Chinese press great activity prevails in the old Chiaotung party and it is expected that Mr. Liang Shih-ji will be able to resume his post as Premier in three weeks' time.

## CHINESE SECRET SERVICE AT SHANGHAI.

In response to an urgent request from the Military Governor of Shanghai, Peking has remitted \$10,000 to cover the expense of maintaining the local secret service, says the *Shanghain*. The paper adds that the Military Governor considered the amount insufficient and cabled a return for a further \$10,000.

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## THE GEDDES REPORT.

## Mr. Churchill on Publication.

At the 1920 Club, Mr. Winston Churchill replied to speeches by Mr. Asquith and Lord Grey.

After dealing with the Irish settlement, Mr. Churchill said:

There is another measure of policy on which Liberals and Conservatives are at present equally united, the reduction of armaments and the re-enrichment of expenditure, with that corresponding diminution in the burdens of taxation which should flow therefrom. No doubt you have read the Geddes Report. (Laughter.) I have read it. It is a fine, massive, comprehensive piece of work. (Laughter.) I do not say for a moment I agree with it all, but it is certainly a State paper of the highest value, and one which reflects the greatest credit on the extremely able men who have voluntarily given so much of their time, experience, and energy to its formulation. Of course, the Geddes report is going to be published. No one who has read it would wish it to blight unseen and waste its fragrance on the Whitehall air. (Laughter.) It should be published, so that everybody can judge for himself. But before it is published the Government must reach a definite conclusion as to the Estimates they will present to Parliament. The Government must know their own mind and stand or fall by their decision. They cannot delegate those powers to anybody. They are responsible not only for the proper and frugal conduct of finance, but also for the security of the Empire and the interests of the nation. The Government must present their policy to Parliament and must furnish Parliament with the full means of scrutiny. I am satisfied that there will be this year reductions in expenditure on an enormous scale (cheers), and I am sure also that this task must be executed in spirit ruthless, relentless and remorseless. This task is one which Liberals and Conservatives must co-operate and in which they will be jointly serving the best interests of the country. (Cheers)

## WHAT IS A LIBERAL?

We are told we are not Liberals. We are told we are not Socialists. Various definitions are offered. There are a number of people who would say a Liberal is a man or woman (cheers) who does his utmost to bring Liberal principles to bear upon the policy of his country at home and abroad. That is a definition which I accept and which I commend to the 1920 Club. We may bring those principles to bear in various ways. They may be brought to bear by co-operation or criticism. Some will choose one, some the other. At one moment co-operation is right, at another, criticism. But the question we have to answer now is whether Liberal opinions and principles can best be brought to bear upon the government of the British Empire at the present time by co-operation or criticism. No doubt it is much harder to co-operate than to criticize; no doubt, it is much harder to act wisely and to act successfully than it is to talk cleverly and win applause. But because Liberal chooses the more difficult of the two paths, there is certainly no reason why he should be considered inferior to the Liberal who chooses the easier path.

I was reading yesterday, as a place in my leisure moments, which are not too numerous in these days, the beautiful speeches delivered by Mr. Asquith and Lord Grey to the Independent Liberal gathering which was assembled and collected, drawn together, and otherwise concentrated in London as a counterblast to our functions of the preceding week. (Laughter.) They certainly were very interesting speeches. The adjectives employed must have been most gratifying to anyone in the audience who had carried to a high degree of development the critical, fretful, and spiteful elements in his composition. But the sole object of both those speeches, however dignified their expression, however solemn and even pompous their mood, was to extenuate their partisanship on worn-out party lines by means of fault-finding against the Government which has been dealing with, and is still confronted with, world events of prodigious and unprecedented complexity. (Cheers.) Let us look back upon some of these events. It is more than five years since the Prime Minister, our leader, assumed his high office. It has been a period of sanguineous and unexampled difficulty. There never has been a period when the convulsions of the world have been so formidable or when mankind has been so wearied and exhausted. Take

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can rest ourselves permanently. Nothing would infuriate the Socialist and nothing would infuriate the readers of the *Morning Post* more than to be told that they were comprised within a definition of the word Liberal, and after all we are not looking for trouble. We must endeavour to make our way through this world with as little irritation as is possible, and do not let us choose a definition which would needlessly cause pain to these classes.

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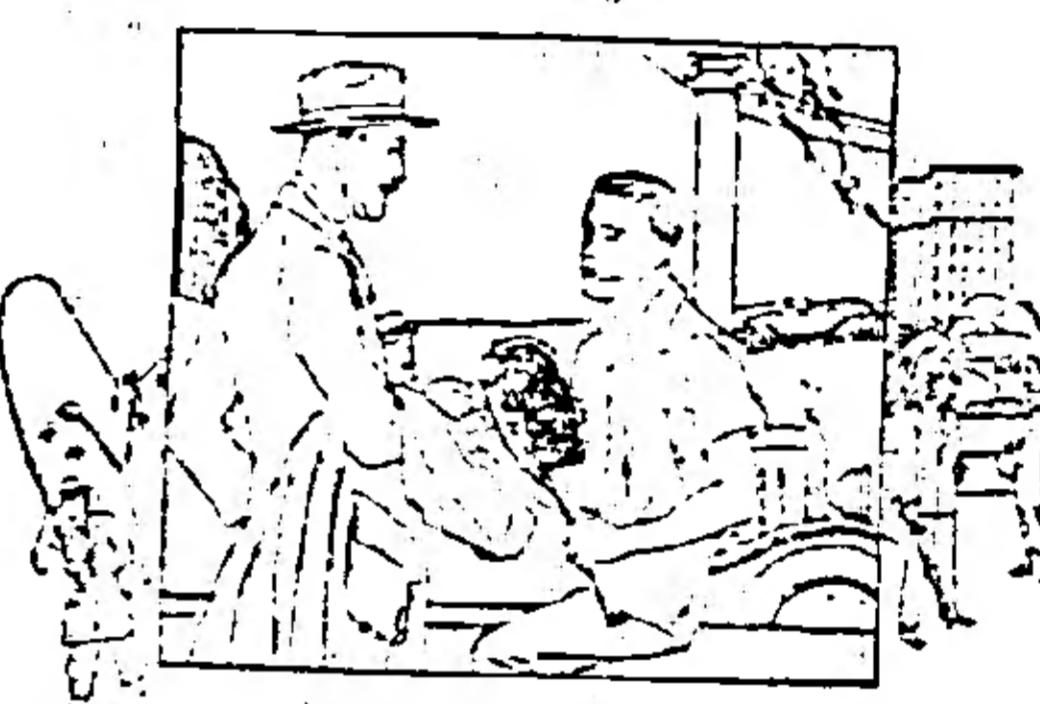
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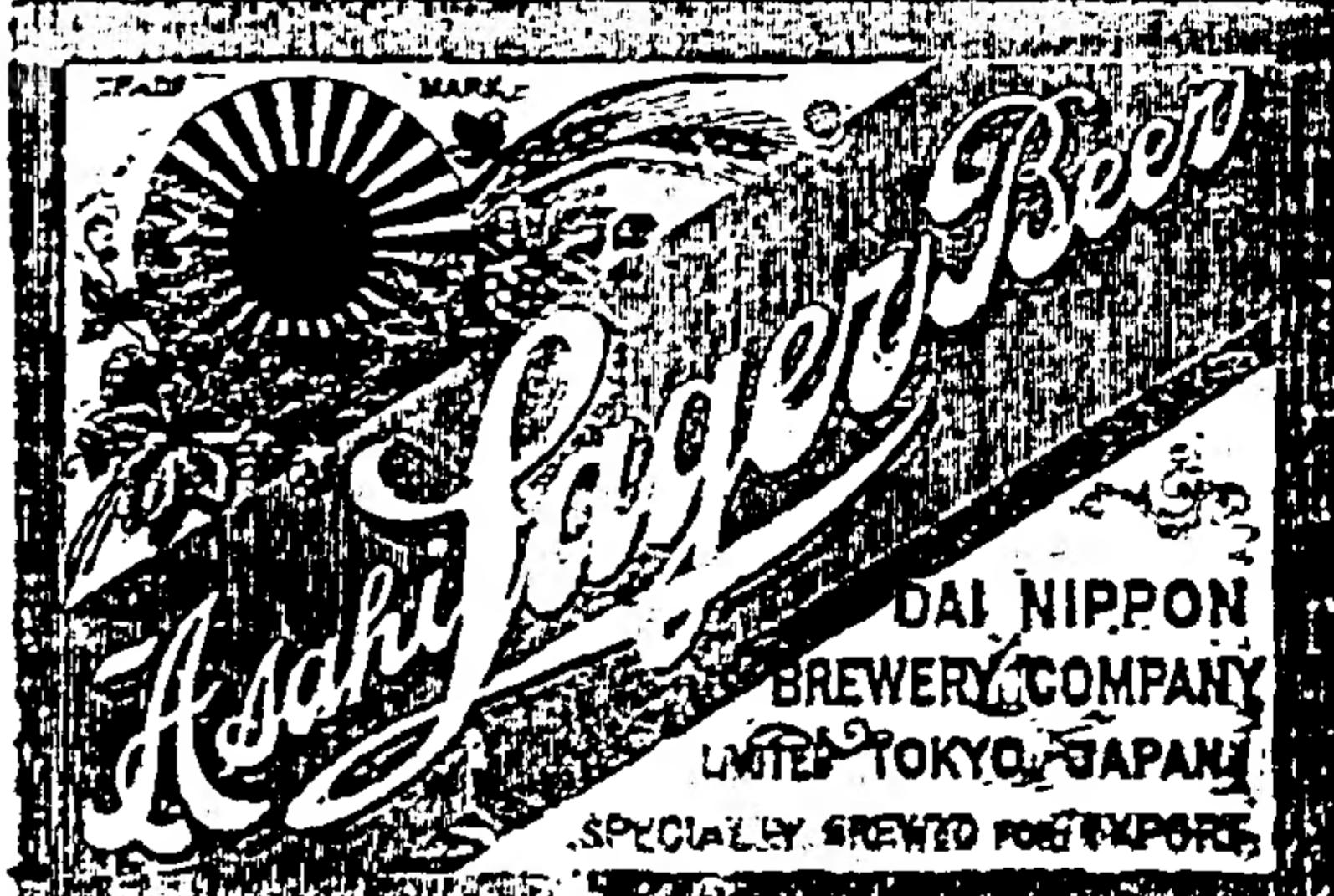
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## SHANTUNG RAILWAY FUND.

## Mandate Urging Contributions.

A petition has been submitted to President Hsu by Cui Yao-shan, Minister of Agriculture and Commerce, requesting him to issue a mandate concerning the deposit of contributions to the Shantung Railway Redemption Fund. The petition states that throughout China organizations are being formed to raise the money necessary for the redemption of the railway and provision should be taken to safeguard this money and ensure its being used for no other purposes than those for which it is intended. The suggestion is made that certain banks should be officially designated for the holding of the deposits of this fund and regulations should be drawn up concerning them. Money so deposited should not be

drawn out for any cause and all accounts of the redemption fund should be under the supervision of the Banking Association and of the Chambers of Commerce. From time to time reports should be made to these organizations and to the various associations and guilds concerned in the raising of the money so that the people may be kept informed of the amount that has been contributed.

This petition was submitted to the President and by him handed to the Acting Premier, Dr. Yen, who in turn gave it to Mr. Lin Cui-wu who will draw up a special mandate as requested by the Minister of Agriculture and Commerce. It is expected that this mandate will appear within the next few days giving full regulations regarding the deposit of funds and designating certain banks as qualified to receive the contributions for the redemption of the railroad.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHARE-HOLDERS of this Company will be held at the Company's Hotel, Hongkong, on Wednesday, 12th March, 1922, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1921.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

H. N. BEAUREPAIRE  
Secretary.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Thirty-seventh Annual Ordinary General Meeting of the Company (since its registration) will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on Thursday, the 14th March, 1922, at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st Oct., 1922.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from Thursday, ninth day of March to to Thursday, sixteenth day of March, 1922, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers, Hongkong, 3rd March, 1922.

HONGKONG TRAMWAY COMPANY LIMITED.

(Incorporated in the United Kingdom.)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the COLONIAL (Hongkong) Register of the Company will be CL/SED from WEDNESDAY, 15th March 1922, to THURSDAY, 16th April 1922, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

W. E. ROBERTS,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 7th March, 1922.

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG & WHAM- POA DOCK COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Office of the Company, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on Monday, 20th March, 1922, at noon, for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1921.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 11th to the 20th March 1922, (both days inclusive).

By Order of the Board of Directors,

R. M. DVEB,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 6th March 1922.

## O. NOTICE.

THE GOVERNMENT, being desirous of employing to the best advantage the offers of service they have received through various channels, invite all Able-bodied Men of any Nationality other than Chinese to attend at the City Hall between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. on the 3rd March, and subsequent days, in order that their names and qualifications may be registered.

This invitation includes the Members of the British Legion, the Ex-Active Service Men's Association, and all who have already tendered their services as special constables.

## NOTICE.

We beg to inform our customers that deliveries of fresh milk and cream will be resumed from to-morrow, 9th inst.

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## HONGKONG HOTEL GRILL.

The above will be again open from to-morrow (Thursday) at Breakfast time.

## NOTICE.

The Examination Service at the Eastern and Western Entrances of the Fort was withdrawn at 5 p.m. on the 7th March, 1922.

## C. W. BECKWITH.

Commander, R.N., Harbour Master, &c.

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## NOTICE.

Owing to the strike of employees, in all departments, delivery of goods cannot be made. Customers will kindly call and take delivery of their requirements.

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## NOTICE.

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Two Certificates for Seventy-seven Shares—Nos. 12263 12275, 15, Nos. 13718 13779, 62, in this Company, standing in the name of Mr. Evaristo Mauricio have been lost; and if at the expiration of one month from the date hereof the above Certificates, for forthcoming other Certificates, for the said Shares will be issued by the Company, and thereafter to others will be acknowledged.

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THE FIRST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held in the City Hall, Hongkong, on Tuesday, 12th March, 1922, at 5.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report and Accounts for the period ending 31st December, 1921, and of electing Officers and a Committee for the ensuing year, and of appointing an Hon. Secretary and Treasurer and Hon. Auditors, and of dealing with any other business.

By Order of the General Committee,  
H. K. HOLMES,  
Hon. Secretary.

## TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

Those who have been suggesting that the titles of the late Marquis of Lansdowne should be revived for Lord Lascelles overlook the salient fact that the Earldom of Clancarla is still in existence. Under the special remainder of 1890 the thirteenth Earl was created Earl of Clancarla in Galway with remainder to the heirs of his daughter, the elder of whom married a Marquess of Sligo. When the rich Lord Clancarla died this earldom passed to the present Marquess of Sligo, so that it is not available for Lord Lascelles.

Everest's trackers have had an uncommon experience in losing track of one of the high peaks after taking its photograph. The mountain which they refer to as MC was obvious enough when looked at from one side of the Kangdoshang Glacier, but as the party moved on it disappeared. They discovered that the peak was so thin that from a certain angle it was completely obscured by its neighbours MD and MB. It had not, as they had begun to fear, melted away in a few days. The *Geographic Journal* shows in a set of photographs and diagrams how the peak was lost and found.

## HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

Ex-members of all nationalities of the Hongkong Police Reserve who are willing to serve as Special Constables are invited to send their names and addresses to the Captain Superintendent of Police.

It is important that the names and addresses be clearly given. Envelopes should be marked "Police Reserve."

## HONGKONG HOTEL LTD.

## NOTICE.

Shareholders in the above Company are hereby notified that, owing to the strike, the Annual General Meeting, advertised for WEDNESDAY, March 8th, is postponed until further Notice.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

H. N. BEAUREPAIRE,  
Secretary.

## EMERGENCY PORT REGULATIONS.

## SILIMPON COAL.

## Examination of Vessels.

Until further notice all steam launches, junks, fishing and other crafts will be examined when entering or leaving Victoria Harbour.

Examination vessels will lie in the Sulphur Channel to the Westward and in the Lyemus Pass to the Eastward.

All launches, junks, etc. entering or leaving Victoria Harbour must approach these vessels for examination.

Launches after Examination will be passed in or out of the Harbour by Flaz—Junks will be towed.

At the Western Entrance, no vessel is to pass across an imaginary line drawn from Green Island to Chung Hua Island.

The Sulphur Channel only is to be used.

The Port is closed from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m.

Vessels failing to comply with these regulations are liable to be fined on.

These regulations do not apply to steamships over 60 tons, but should such vessel leave Harbour after the Port is closed, she will be required to show the proper night recognition Signal.

C. W. BECKWITH,

Commander, R.N.,

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Hongkong, 3rd March, 1922.

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Another link with the golden period of New England literature has disappeared with the death of Mr. Ernest Wardsworth Longfellow, the last surviving son of the poet. He was born in 1843, while his father was a Harvard professor, and ten years before "Hiawatha" was written. Mr. Ernest Longfellow, after graduating in science at Harvard, studied art in Paris and for the rest of his life followed an artistic career. He achieved most success as a landscape painter.

Every schoolboy knows "The Short Parliament," and the majority could recall that it sat for some three weeks in 1640, following the longest interval without a Parliament and followed by "The Long Parliament." The Session just ended (for passing the Irish Bill) will probably secure an equal place in history and not only because it has lasted but three days. It is only in modern times, however, that a three-day Session can hold the record for brevity. On September 30, 1899, a new Parliament met, and, having deposed Richard II., it came to an end by reason of that act. The same members were summoned by Henry IV. six days later, and when they sat they opened the first of that Monarch's 11 Parliaments.

Lord Waterford who has just come of age, was Lord Tyrone before succeeding to the title in 1911, and has most of the characteristics of the sporting Heresfords, of Curraghmore, a splendid Co. Waterford domains. When only ten he had already established a reputation as a skilful and daring horseman. Lord Waterford, grandson maternally of Lord Lansdowne, is head of a family which has always been devoted to hunting, and his grandfather was one of the best known M.F.H.'s in the kingdom, also a great politician. Owing to an accident this marquis was accorded the special privilege of remaining seated when speaking in the House. It is his son, also a great politician. Owing to an accident this marquis was accorded the special privilege of remaining seated when speaking in the House.

## BID FOR SUNKEN BULLION.

## £2,000,000 in Hold of Torpedoed Ship.

Another bid for the millions lying on the bed of the ocean is indicated by an advertisement which appeared recently in a London journal.

A salvage engineer states that he has secured exclusive information of the location in international waters of a torpedoed vessel containing £2,000,000 of bullion, which could be salvaged in three weeks.

Speculative as such an undertaking appears, writes a *Daily Chronicle* representative, the fact remains that in four years the now defunct Admiralty Salvage Department raised 449 important vessels and recovered property to the value of £50,000,000.

There are over 2,000 British merchant vessels, sunk by the enemy, whose positions have been charted. Nearly 2,000,000 of tonnage is within workable depth.

A naval expert told the *Daily Chronicle* representative that the Admiralty have charted all sunken ships and know exactly what each contains.

## MUST BUY VESSEL.

"They really belong to the Treasury," he said, "and anyone desiring to undertake salvage attempts must obtain Treasury permission and buy the vessel as she stands."

It is always a speculative undertaking, but although the Admiralty have raised all the ships they considered worth while, it is still possible that valuable cargoes can even now be salvaged.

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Vast sums of money have been recovered from modern ships. In the case of the *Leviathan*, sunk off Lough Swilly, with a huge amount in bullion, divers working against almost insuperable difficulties have wrested nearly the whole quantity from the ocean bed.

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FRANCE'S WAR LOAN FROM THE U.S.

It is interesting to note that M. Loucheur, interviewed by when the only son of Tuchun the Paris correspondent of the *Chao Ti* of Honan, who is seven *Baltimore Sun*, declared that years of age, was sick, the France is unable to pay her provincial officials manifested American debts now or later if their subservience by lending the United States insist on gold their own ages to the junior payments and refusing to accept Tuchun. A great celebration was held, and the military officers and this interview, Senator Mc civil leaders all signed their Cormick stated that the United States having *long file* lent large promised to lend five years to the amounts to European countries, junior Tuchun. It is estimated that the youth would live more than three hundred years in case cannot force reimbursement the *lesso* as the exaggerated military and civic expenditures of France would only by increased thereby. —*Chen Pao*.

## CONSIGNEES.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

Consignees of cargo for Hongkong per

S.S. "SATSUMA"

are hereby notified that owing to the strike of cargo and wharf coolies, cargo for Hongkong has been discharged at Shanghai and will be held there at consignees' risk and expense, to be forwarded to Hongkong as soon as practicable.

Consignees are therefore recommended to make the necessary arrangements respecting Insurance etc.

THE BARBER STEAMSHIP LINES INC.

THE ADMIRAL LINE

Agents,

Hongkong, 28th Feb. 1922.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STRUTHERS &amp; BARRY

From PACIFIC COAST, JAPAN and NORTH CHINA.

Consignees of cargo for Hongkong per a.s. "APUS" are hereby notified that owing to the strike of cargo and wharf coolies, all cargo for Hongkong will be landed at Shanghai. Consignees are therefore recommended to make the necessary arrangements respecting insurance, etc. The cargo will be brought to Hongkong immediately conditions at this port become settled.

STRUTHERS &amp; BARRY

Agents,

United States Shipping Board, Emergency Fleet Corporation, Hongkong, March 1st, 1922.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA

From EUROPE via Straits.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO FOR HONGKONG PER

S.S. "LISBON MARU" are hereby notified that owing to the strike of cargo and wharf coolies, the steamer will not call at Hongkong and cargo for Hongkong will be carried on to Shanghai and landed there. Consignees are therefore recommended to make the necessary arrangements respecting insurance etc. accordingly. The cargo will be returned to Hongkong immediately conditions at this port become normal.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA

Agents.

Hongkong, 4th March, 1922.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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Due at SHANGHAI on 6th inst.

FROM PUGET SOUND PORTS.

Consignees of cargo for Hongkong per the above steamer are

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to Shanghai and/or Kobe and/or

Yokohama. Consignees are

therefore recommended to make the

necessary arrangements respecting

insurance etc. accordingly.

The cargo will be brought on to

Hongkong immediately conditions

at this port become normal.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA

Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd March, 1922.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA

S.S. "PATHAN"

are hereby notified that owing to

the present state of affairs in

Hongkong due to the strike of

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Consignees of cargo for Hongkong per

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THE BARBER STEAMSHIP LINES INC.

Agents,

Hongkong, 28th Feb. 1922.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

JARDINE, MATHESON &amp; CO., LTD.

General Managers.

Friday, 20th February, 1922.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

"GLEN LINE LTD."

From UNITED KINGDOM AND CONTINENT.

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Owing to the strike of seamen

Consignees are hereby notified that Hongkong cargo will be

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JARDINE, MATHESON &amp; CO., LTD.

Agents.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1922.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA

FROM EUROPE via Ports.

Consignees of cargo for Hongkong per

S.S. "ALASKA MARU"

are hereby notified that owing to

the strike of cargo and wharf

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Birth.

DUNCAN.—At the French Hospital on the 6th inst., to Mr. & Mrs. R. K. Duncan, a son.

GARCIA.—At 33, Yee Kee Building, Kowloon, on March 3rd, to Mr. & Mrs. R. F. Garcia, a son. (Shanghai and Manila papers please copy.)

Death.

CREW.—At the French Convent Hospital, on March 3rd, Archibald Hibbard Crew, beloved eldest son of the late Edwin George Crew and Mrs. Crew of Clifton, Bristol, England; age 36.

## The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8, 1922.

### EXTREMISTS ON WASHINGTON.

When opposing sides both assert that they have been "let down," the impartial mind is likely to conclude that neither has been specially favoured, deeming that, on the whole, each has received a broad measure of justice. Reports, views, surveys, and what-not continue to make their appearance in relation to the Washington Conference. In the bulk those emanating from what may be called "unattached" writers—by which we mean writers not pledged to some particular interest—are of a hopeful kind. Here and there we find utterances invoking the superlative degree—the Conference, we are told, "marks a new era in international relationship," or "sets up an inspiring landmark in the world's history." As to these high hopes, we are afraid the verdict must be of the wait-and-see type. Without at once subscribing to (or deriding) such expectations, it may be said that there are grounds to justify the numerous writers who, not failing that there has been anything to stimulate a high pitch of enthusiasm, yet consider that the Conference accomplished sufficient to warrant the belief that an improvement in international affairs has been effected, and, further, that the Conference just closed may prove to be the prelude to extended co-operation.

Then we have had the *experts* view, and this has certainly been much in evidence on the part of those in the Chinese interest, including her Western advisers, who, to be sure, are engaged to represent China's case. Thus Mr. Lenox Simpson ("Putnam Weale") has been using up quite a fair stock of stationery in this manner, and, though he is concerned to lay the stress on the Chinese side, he seems in general to have stated the case in a more reasonable spirit than is often found in polemics. Dr. Ferguson, an American, is another adviser who has been indulging in surveys of the Conference, and while he is perhaps more one-sided than Mr. Simpson, he has not been guilty of any preposterous infringement of logic. Other commentators who have found their way into print, however, have permitted themselves unlimited invective. According to these (and the sentiments have found expression from adherents of both Canton and of Peking), the Conference was a sham, a fraud, a delusion and a snare for poor, unprotected China, who has been sacrificed to the Powers in general and to Japan in particular.

To Westerners out here, again, it appears that China is so far from coming away from the Conference empty-handed that there has been considerable cause for perturbation. With this phase of the Conference we have already dealt. What attracted our notice among the mass of recent comment was the following description of the Conference by a protagonist of Japan, Mr. Patrick Gallagher, of the *Far Eastern Review*: "... a stinking bone from the charnel-house of Old Diplomacy, a fake, and a frame-up." Mr. Gallagher intimates that the Conference was a plot on the part of China (with her confederates, John Bull and Uncle Sam) to trap Japan. This kind of thing illustrates to what lengths partisan advocacy can carry experienced writers. When we see the same decisions described as a snare for China and a trap for her real or supposed arch-enemy (the respective Governments, it may be noted, appear to be tolerably well satisfied), it is a rational inference that, as we remarked at starting, a broad measure of justice has been done.

### NOTES & COMMENTS.

#### An Anxious Time.

We are gratified, as we feel sure the public also is, at the changed circumstances which enabled us yesterday to revert to the publication of the Telegraph in its usual size. Although hard put to it, we managed to make a daily appearance, though our issues for Saturday and Monday were unduly abbreviated in dimensions. The reduced size, however, could not be obviated in the circumstances; at any rate, the one sheet served the purpose of circulating the really essential news. We felt it a duty incumbent on us, in a time of great stress, to keep the public fully and promptly informed on the developments of the situation, and many have been the expressions of appreciation reaching us that we were able to do so. Naturally, news not relating to the strike suffered to the point either of absolute expurgation or drastic condensation, but here again this was unavoidable. It was a trying time for all concerned with newspaper production, and we feel thankful that we have come out of it all as well as we have done. We crave the indulgence of our readers, advertisers and subscribers for any shortcomings or delays that may have manifested themselves during the period of abnormal conditions, and trust that the day may be far distant when circumstances will again force us to break the continuity of a regular, full-size paper.

#### Getting the News.

If we could find out how it is that rumours—having not a vestige of truth in them—are born we might hope at the same time to deal suitably with the authors. We should simply hand the miscreants over to the Colony's reporters, who would leave little to be found. It has been difficult enough to keep a grip on real news during the strike period, but the task of news-gathering has been made nightmarish by the flood of ridiculous, senseless and baseless rumours one has met with every day and on almost every conceivable phase of the strike situation. And the rumour-monger is as pernicious an evil as the rumour-author. He generally begins—"Have you heard?"—and then goes on to retail some startling story, possibly garnishing it as he goes along in order to make it a little more presentable. Even yesterday, after all the strike business had been fixed-up and settled, there was a most persistent story in town that the seamen in Canton had rejected everything and that we were to go through the business of a settlement all over again! The writer of this note was, told in Kowloon that the number of people injured at Shatin in the trouble there ran into three figures—and so we could go on giving dozens of instances in which facts became distorted and stories sheerly invented. The public owe the newspaper reporters of this Colony its thanks for having spent hours in sifting and exploding one of the most prolific crop of rumours any community has ever had to suffer. When all the circumstances are borne in mind, we think it can be said that the story of Hongkong's strike has been presented in the newspapers with wonderful discretion, and a high degree of accuracy.

#### Sir Arthur Balfour.

It comes a little strange to prefix the "Sir" to Arthur James Balfour, but the honour which has just been conferred upon that worthy statesman ordains that we should do so. All the same, most of us will continue to think of him as plain "Mr. Balfour," and we shall have to watch ourselves that we do not fall into the trap of omitting to give him his new title. Sir Arthur had on many previous occasions been offered a title, but had declined it. Many will now think that he might well have been given Peacock, but it is quite possible that he was offered one. At any rate, he has been admitted to the select circle of members of the Order of the Garter, which of itself is one of the very highest honours that can be conferred upon a Britisher. If we regard distinctions of this or any kind as the rightful reward of merit, then none will gainsay that our latest Knight has been deservedly honoured. He has served the Empire nobly and well over a lengthy period of years, bringing high integrity and a lofty purpose to his work. And it is fitting that his magnificent labours at the Washington Conference, where he created such fine impression, should be given the seal of kingly approval.

Mr. Shaw, who was unmarried, was of a quiet and retiring disposition and took no part in public life. He was, however, prominently associated with the Plymouth Brethren.

The funeral takes place at Happy Valley this evening, the cortège passing the Monument at 5 p.m.

### DAY-BY-DAY.

#### THE MANNERS WHICH ONE OFTEN NEGLECTS AS LITTLE THINGS ARE OFTEN THAT BY WHICH MEN JUDGE US FOR GOOD OR FOR EVIL.—*La Bruyère*.

Our Ladies' Page will appear this week on Friday.

The health return for yesterday shows one fatal case of plague (Chinese) and one non-fatal occurrence of small-pox (British).

In millions of gallons, the water stored in Hongkong's reservoirs on March 1st was 1,047,66, compared with 1,229,97 on the corresponding date last year. The Kowloon figures were 197,84 and 291,34 respectively.

Amongst those who left by the Blue Funnel steamer *Pyrrhus* were Lieut.-Comdr. and Mrs. F. H. Dawson, Surgeon Lieut.-Comdr. and Mrs. H. W. Fitzroy Williams, Mrs. Sindles and Lieut. H. E. Sprague, R.N.

### CHINESE NEWS.

A Shanghai telegram says it is reported that Sun Hung-ying, a former Kwangsi Commander, has received a large supply of arms and ammunition from Wu Pui-foo and that he will be in command of the front-line forces to oppose Sun Yat-sen's expeditionary army.

Telegraphic information from Peking is to the effect that 150 Ting-pon will arrive there on the 15th inst. to organise the Tariff Committee.

### THE BERMUDA.

#### Addition to Nemazee Fleet.

The Bermuda, which arrived in port yesterday afternoon, is a newcomer to the Far East. She is the latest addition to Mr. H. M. Nemazee's fleet and was purchased recently from the Shipping Controller. Her old name, before Mr. Nemazee took her over, was the St. Andrew.

She was built by Messrs. C. S. Swann and Hunter at Newcastle in 1889. Her length is 470 feet, beam 56.3 feet and moulded depth 31.9 feet. She is 7,037 gross tons.

The Bermuda's trip out here from Home was her maiden voyage under Mr. Nemazee's flag. She is going into dock for certain alterations and will then be employed in carrying cargo. Capt. Ireland is in command.

#### DEATH OF MR. J. T. SHAW.

#### From Malignant Small-pox.

It is with much regret that we have to record the death of another member of the European community, in the person of Mr. J. T. Shaw, the well-known tailor and outfitter, which took place at the Government Civil Hospital in the early hours of this morning from malignant small-pox.

The deceased, who was 46 years of age, was at business as usual on Friday last, when he went home complaining of feeling unwell. Medical advice was subsequently sought and he was removed to hospital on Sunday, his complaint being diagnosed as small-pox. Mr. Shaw had been in the Colony for close on twenty years, having been for some years cutter with the firm of Cottam and Company, starting on his own account when that firm became bankrupt. By his steady application, he worked up a considerable business and became well known locally. Born in Belfast, he went to Australia when a child and thence came to Hongkong, not having been Home for some 28 years. He leaves a father and step-brother in Brisbane.

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### RAILWAY STATION SCENE.

#### Chinese Doctor Charged.

An interesting summons on two counts, in which a Chinese medical practitioner, Dr. Wong Sik-to, of No. 3 Caine Road, was the defendant, was heard by Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistracy this morning.

The Crown Solicitor (Mr. G. H. Wakeman) prosecuted on behalf of the Railway authorities, who were the complainants, whilst Mr. M. K. Lo, of Messrs. Lo and Lo, represented the defendant.

Mr. Wakeman said that the defendant was charged, under Section 43 of the Railway

Ordinance, with obstructing

servants of the railway,

and, secondly, under Section

23 of the Summary Offences

Ordinance, with using abusive

language and behaving in a disorderly manner.

On the 27th February at about 2.30 in the afternoon, continued the Crown Solicitor, Mr. G. A. Walker, Traffic Superintendent of the British section of the Kowloon-Canton Railway, was in the Kowloon Station, carrying out his duties. There was a first-class carriage the seats of which had been reserved. The defendant came up and tried to get into the carriage. The conversation which ensued between him and the superintendent was as follows:

The defendant:—You are in charge of this carriage?

Mr. Walker:—Yes.

Defendant:—Open it.

Mr. Walker:—What?

Defendant:—I want it opened.

Mr. Walker:—There is plenty of room in the next carriage.

Defendant:—What is your damned name?

Mr. Walker:—I haven't got a damned name.

The rest of the conversation, continued the Crown Solicitor, was carried out in a similar strain.

Immediately afterwards, a passenger came on to the platform and was going to board the carriage in question when the defendant pushed in front of him and made as if to get into it first.

Mr. Walker told him that he could not do so, and asked him to step off the footboard. This the defendant persistently refused, and put his suitcase down in such a way as to jam Mr. Walker and prevent him from returning on the platform.

When the defendant again endeavoured to get past, the defendant jammed his bag still further in and refused to comply with the repeated requests uttered by the official.

Mr. Walker then had to exercise the powers permitted him under Section 43 of the Railway

Ordinance, which provided that in case of any obstruction or failure of any passenger to carry out the orders of the official on traffic duty, a passage may be refused to the passenger and his ticket forfeited to the railway

authorities. The principal witness for the prosecution would be Mr. Spracher, an American civil engineer, who was travelling to Canton on that day and was a witness of all that took place between the defendant and the Traffic Superintendent.

Mr. John M. Spracher, in evidence, stated that he was on the platform waiting to board the 3 o'clock express when he noticed the defendant approach in company with another man and ask Mr. Walker for a compartment. It would be difficult to recall the exact words used in the conversation that ensued, but witness could remember that Mr. Walker directed the defendant to the next coach further down the platform which still contained some unreserved compartments. The defendant did not want to get into these, but insisted on getting into the reserved coach directly in front of witness. Again the Superintendent pointed out to the defendant that two compartments still remained to be used in the carriage further down the platform, and went to open the doors of these himself, but the defendant was not inclined to follow.

He stayed behind and again made another attempt to get into the near coach. As to the defendant's reason for making this choice, or his objection to taking the compartments indicated to him by the Traffic Superintendent, witness was not able to make a statement. The invitation to the defendant to get into these empty compartments was repeated, and it was again refused.

All the defendant said was:

"What is your damned name,

anyway?" Mr. Walker replied

that he had not a damned name.

It was difficult, continued the witness, to recall the exact words

used in the argument that followed. He, however, distinctly heard the defendant tell the Superintendent that "he was a damned Englishman," to which the Superintendent said: "Don't you damn me again."

About this time, said the witness in further evidence, another passenger got on the platform and wanted to get into the coach which had formed the subject of all this argument. The door was not locked although those of the separate compartments were. The newcomer was allowed to get into it. Mr. Walker was already on the footboard when the defendant pushed in front of him and deposited his bag on it in such a manner as to jam the Superintendent. This gave rise to another argument, in which the defendant, in spite of repeated requests by the Superintendent, refused to get off the step or take his suitcase out of the way. The defendant asked: "Why do you not hit me?" to which Superintendent replied: "I am sorry, but I cannot do it." The defendant rejoined: "If you did I would put you under the tails."

The Superintendent had to clear himself of the obstacle presented by the suitcase and went in search of the stationmaster.

He returned a moment later with that official, and the demand was made to the defendant to surrender his railway ticket.

When this was refused, the cudgels, so to speak, were taken up by the Stationmaster, who was no more successful in this request than was the Superintendent.

When Mr. Walker reached over and made a grab for the ticket, the defendant instantly drew it back and tore it in two. The Indian policeman on duty at this point was called up and was ordered by the Stationmaster to put the defendant out of the station, on the charge that he was obstructing the platform.

Examined by the Crown

Solicitor, witness added that

the carriage in which he was travelling contained passengers of four or five nationalities.

Mr. Lo:—Were you by yourself or was there a friend of yours in your company on the platform?

Witness:—I was travelling but there was on the platform a gentleman travelling to Canton whom I had never seen before.

Did you have any talk with him?—At the station when this argument came up, we listened to it and talked of it.

You two took this as a joke, you laughed, you smiled did you not?—Yes, we took it as a joke. We did not laugh so far as that word goes but we smiled.

You did not know as a matter of fact that the defendant was referred to the Superintendent by a Chinese attendant?—I don't believe it.

Corrected as to the formula of the reply, witness said that Mr. Walker might have mentioned something like it to him, but he did not recall it.

Questioned as to the disposition of the carriages, the witness, who apparently was not used to being cross-examined, replied with some heat:—How could I say? I am not connected with the railway.

In referring to that part of the evidence which related that Mr. Walker made a grab at the ticket, Mr. Lo used the words "vicious grab," and the Crown Solicitor put in an objection.

Mr. Lo:—I never understood that in cross-examination you got to get into the evidence first. The only difference between the prosecution and me is that they say it was a vicious grab, and I say that it was a vicious one. I can't understand Mr. Wakeman's objection.

Mr. Wakeman (*sole vice*):—You never can.

The case was adjourned.

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## THE REGISTRATION OF SERVANTS.

Shanghai Ratepayers' Association Discuss the Question.

Some interesting views on the servant question, and a decided consensus of opinion against compulsory registration, were features of a meeting convened by the Shanghai Ratepayers' Association, and held on the 1st inst., at the Royal Asiatic Society's Hall, Mr. A. J. Hughes presiding. The attendance, numbering about 40, was composed principally of ladies.

Mr. Hughes opened the meeting by saying that the Committee of the Association offered no definite opinion on the question. Personally, he thought that any system of registration short of compulsory registration would be quite useless. The question therefore was: should the administration compel the registration of domestic servants and exercise a measure of control over them?

A gentleman present cited the system in vogue in Colombo, where servants are officially registered, under a finger print system and the registry supplies servants when necessary. The system worked well. Since coming to Shanghi, he had, as employer, found himself at a decided disadvantage.

## STRONG DISAPPROVAL.

Mr. Akehurst expressed strong disapproval of compulsory registration, and the meeting generally agreed.

Mr. Heal also opposed the suggestion. Incidentally, he mentioned that some two or three

opposition had been roused. She firmly believed that the scheme was intended to be beneficial to both employers and employees, but it had been presented in such a manner that its real character had been lost sight of. In the present heated stage of public opinion, it would be impossible with any amount of talking to get the matter cleared up. She was convinced that it would be best to drop the whole thing for the present. If there was any idea of bringing it up at some future date, would it not be wise that pamphlets printed in both English and Chinese which would present the case without any possibility of mistake should be widely circulated and that special care should be taken to convince the Chinese of the desirability of the step proposed? As to the second question, she begged them to remember the case of the man who rode a tiger and could not dismount. In order that they might not hesitate before mounting a tiger, she proposed the following resolution: "That the presentation of the proposed petition to the Municipal Council in regard to the opening of a registry office under Municipal control be indefinitely postponed."

Mr. R. N. Macleod, in seconding Mrs. Aycough's proposal, said it was doubtful whether registration could be made compulsory. He knew of no means of doing it. If it was not to be compulsory, there was nothing left to discuss voluntary registration being a matter for the servant, not the employer.

## RESOLUTIONS CARRIED.

The resolution was carried, with only two or three dissentients, as was also a second resolution, proposed by Mr. Akehurst, expressing strong disapproval of the suggestion that domestic servants should be registered under the auspices of the Municipal Council.

A discussion on schemes alternative to registration followed, and Major Manners mentioned a scheme adopted in his own household: viz., the placing of 10 per cent. on a servant's wages in a savings bank, and so giving him an additional incentive to good service. Thus the servant became registered at the bank, and the money could not be withdrawn without the joint signature of employer and servant.

Other speakers suggested that some system of guarantees would be effective and acceptable to the Chinese.

A "COMMISSIONER FOR CROOKS." One gentleman, who objected to the matter being undertaken by the Council (who would possibly proceed to the appointment of a "Commissioner for Crooks" at a high salary to work the department), thought it would be well to establish a school for servants, and issue diplomas which would entitle the efficient holder to a little extra financial consideration; but an experienced critic pointed out that there would immediately be a number of "diplomas" for sale on the market. It was suggested also that guarantees would be marketable in the same way.

The meeting accordingly concluded without any alternative scheme being agreed upon.

## HANKOW'S HOLIDAY RESORTS.

## Curious Point Concerning Tenancy.

The deepest sympathy fails to be extended to that section of the Chikungshan community who, most unexpectedly, are threatened with the loss of the bungalows which have been in their occupation for several years. Hankow in the summer time, with its excessive damp heat, is no place for ladies and children, and wherever it can be arranged for them to retire to cooler regions this certainly should be done. In Hankow the children, like drooping flowers, may be seen to wilt from week to week. The two most accessible places, to which retreat may be made, are Kuling and Chikungshan. The former has the advantage as regards elevation, beauty of scenery, larger community, greater development, and an unlimited extent of mountain through which the residents may rove. The latter has the pull in being more accessible—5½ hours by rail from Hankow—and some say it has the better air through its more Northern location.

The resort of Chikungshan stands on the top of the mountains which divide the provinces of Hupeh and Honan, and through which the railway passes by means of a tunnel. Beyond the mountains is the city of Sinyangchow where a station of the Norwegian Lutheran Church

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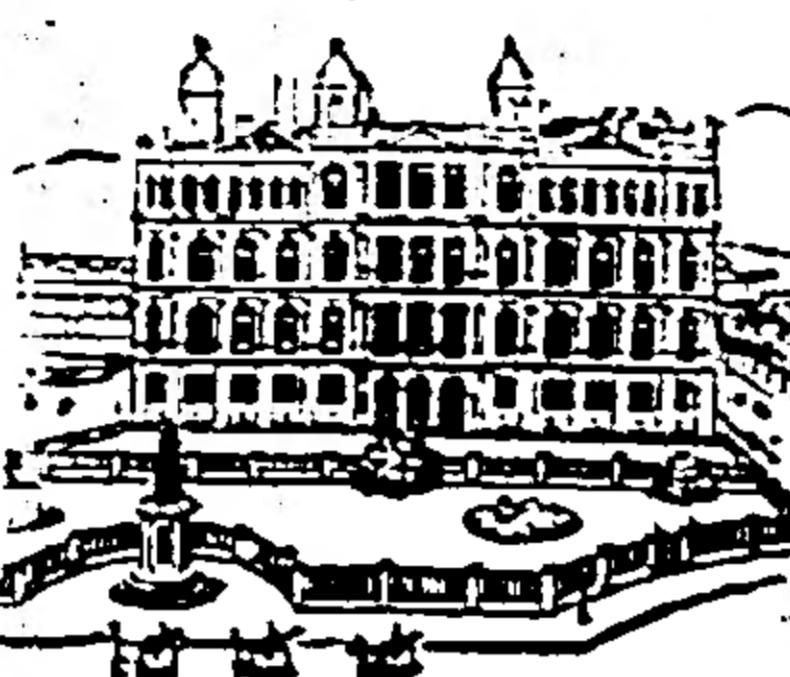
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Amongst the rest there were many bungalows built by Germans who were quick to recognise the advantages of the place. All went on well for a number of years when it was suddenly discovered that the presence of merchants on the mountain was a serious infringement of China's sovereign rights. Only missionaries are permitted to have houses in the interior and merchants, by Treaty stipulation, are confined to the limits of the open ports. These limits have never been clearly defined. The Chinese hold that they do not extend beyond the boundaries of concessions, where such have been granted; while the foreigners claim they extend to a hundred miles all round, this being the treaty-right distance to which foreigners may travel without being supplied with a passport. In any case Chikungshan was beyond the widest limit, and therefore the merchants must be evicted in order that the treaties should be preserved unbroken.

Naturally the merchants protested and declined to budge, whereupon the Chinese hit on a splendid idea which would meet the situation all round. The Honan provincial government would refund to the merchants the total amount they had ex-

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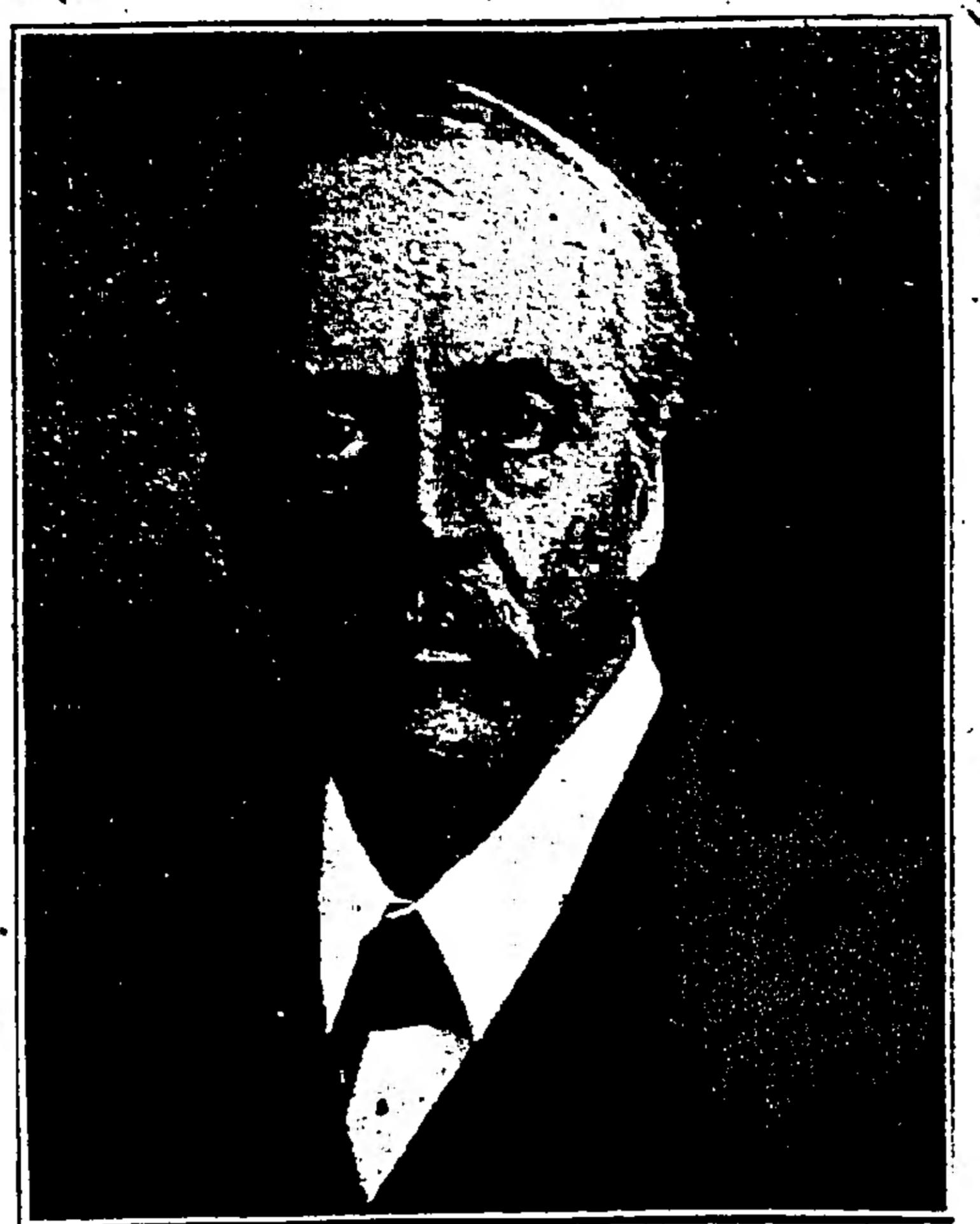
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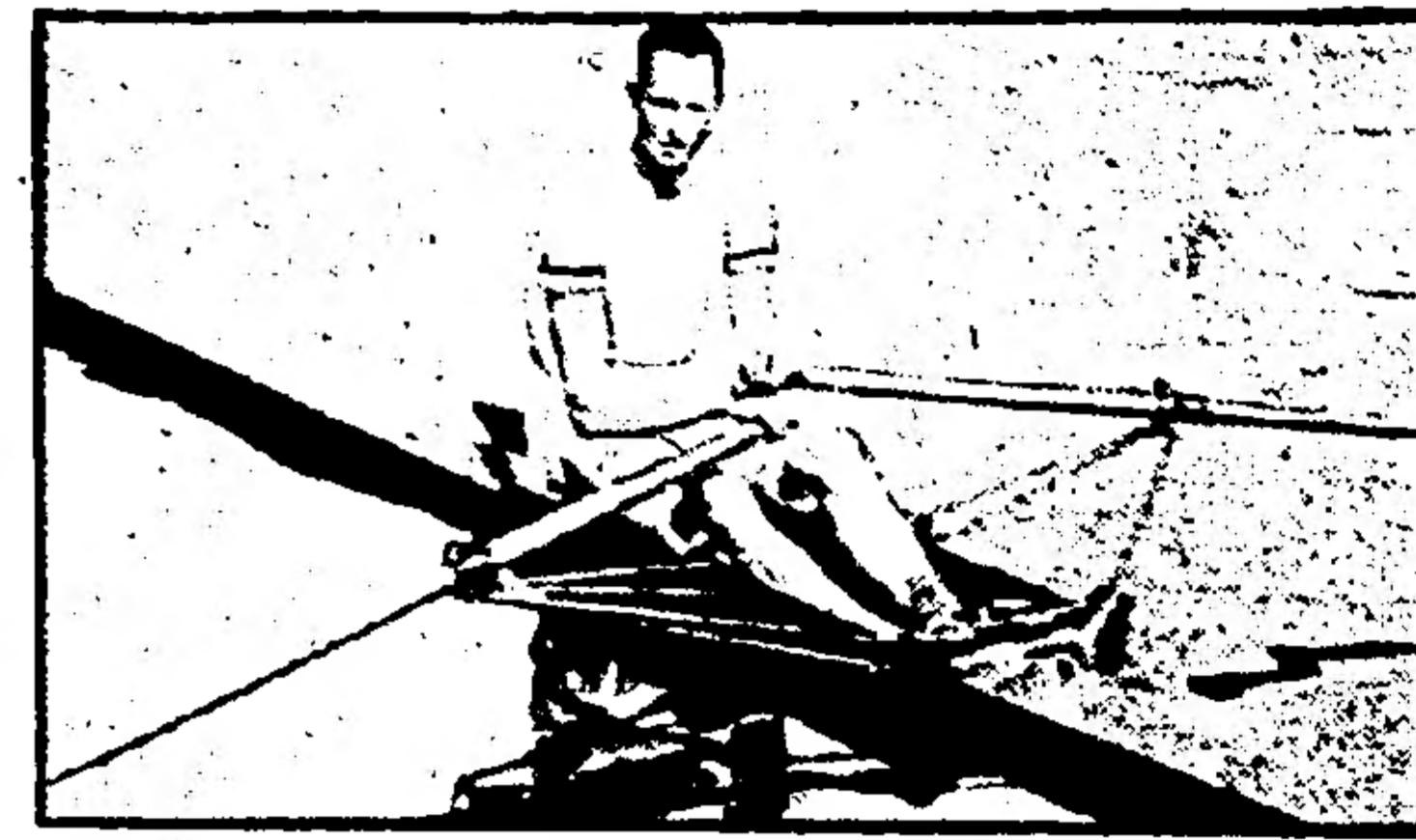
# CAMERA NEWS



Mr. Lloyd George in his den at "Cribquerry," his country house.



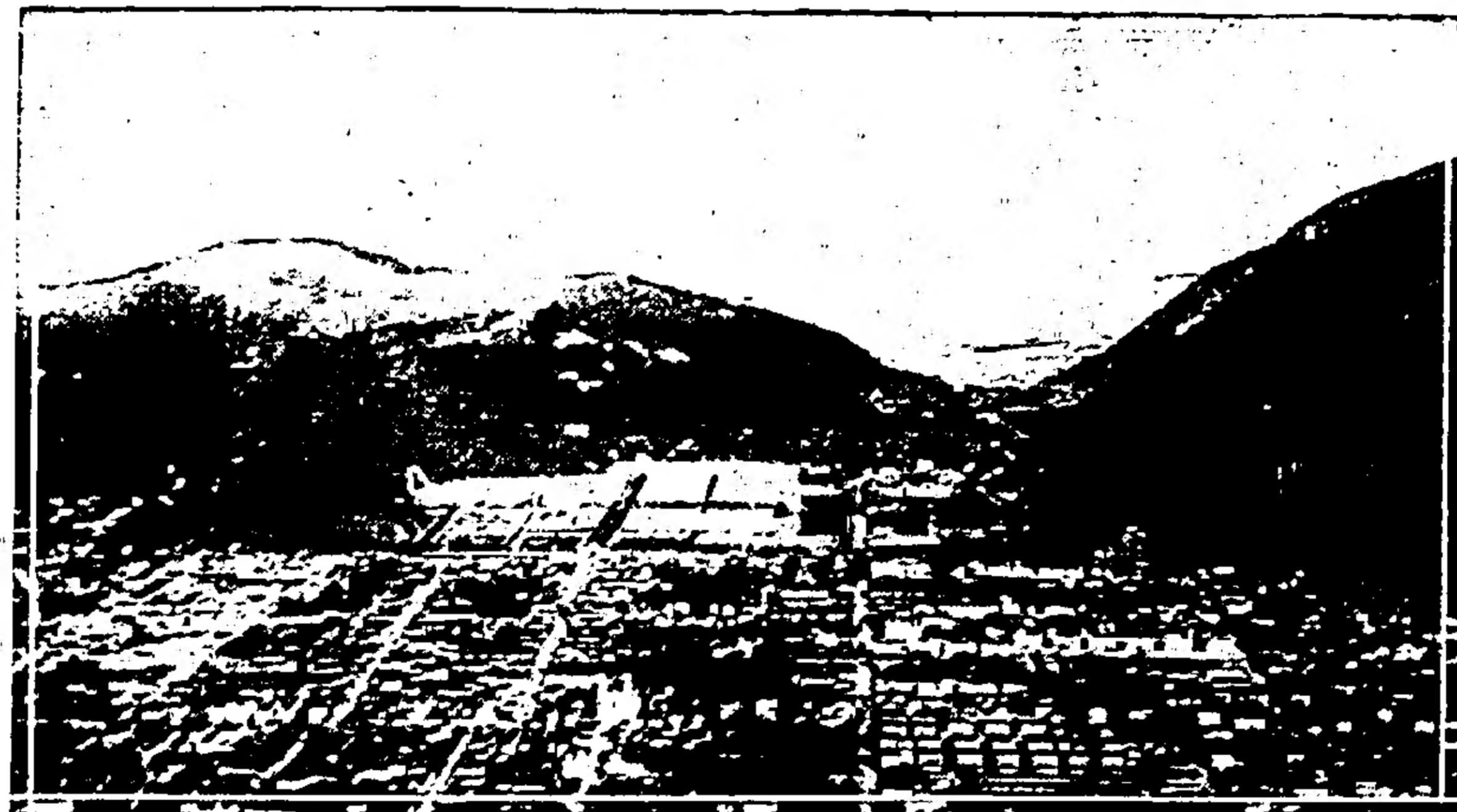
SIR ARTHUR JAMES BALFOUR,  
who has just received the Order of the Garter and been Knighted.



D'Arcy Harfield resting on his oars after winning the world's sculling Championship over the 3 1/4-mile course at Wanganui, New Zealand. Richard Ernst, his opponent, was six lengths behind at the finish.



Prince Mary cutting her cake for ex-service men at the riding school in Buckingham Palace. Viscount Lascelles seems to enjoy the affair.



In Rio de Janeiro there is a most unnecessary mountain known locally as Morro do Castello. It cramps the business section of the city, so the Brazilians have raised a loan of \$12,000,000 and propose to get rid of the mountain with dynamite, hydraulic pressure and the old fashioned but efficacious pick and shovel. Photo shows the mountain and business section of the city.

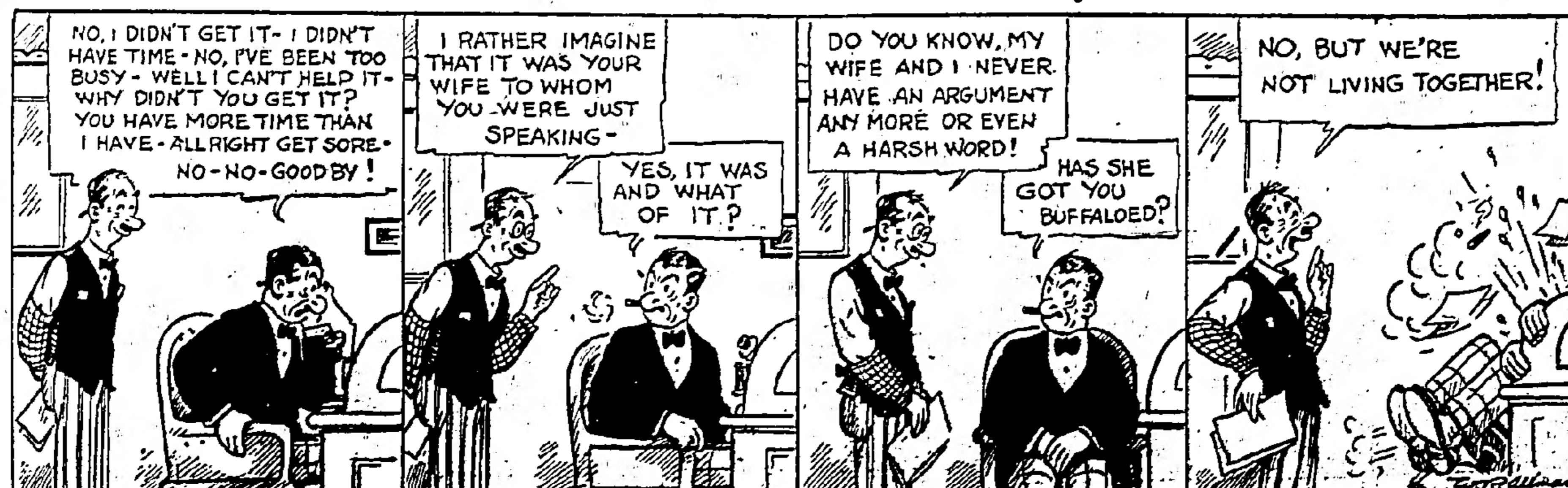


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## Pass to Which the Chinese Have Brought Taxation.

The Municipal Council of Harbin, which was originally organized on the Russian system and to which a foreign representative was admitted upon the conclusion of the Anglo-Russian agreement of 1914, was gradually shorn of its power after the revolution. The contributory causes to the atrophy of this body were undoubtedly: (1) The demoralizing influence of Bolshevik agents; (2) the inefficiency and apathy of the councillors; (3) and later the high-handed action of the Chinese, states a Harbin correspondent of the *N. C. Daily News*.

When Harbin was opened to foreign trade and international residence in 1903, all municipal affairs were administered by a civil department especially created for that purpose by the Chinese Eastern Railway, and four years later an agreement was signed in Peking which placed the control of municipal matters in the hands of the manager of the railway and the Chinese Delegate for Foreign Affairs. This arrangement gave rise to general discontent among the non-Russian community and it was not until the conclusion of the Anglo-Russian Agreement of 1914 that foreign residents had any voice in municipal affairs.

Under the terms of this Agreement, British subjects were empowered to own land in the railway zone, but it became binding upon them to pay taxes on the same scale as Russian subjects. Moreover, provision was made for the admission to the Council of a foreign representative. This agreement was later recognized by all foreign powers except America, whose nationals did not pay taxes and who were in consequence deprived of the right to own land in the railway area.

A CHINESE REPRESENTATIVE. In 1919 the Chinese succeeded in forcing their own representative on the Council. He was merely the thin end of the wedge: for when China broke off diplomatic relations with Russia and abolished extraterritorial rights, she availed herself of the opportunity to secure joint control with the Chinese Eastern Railway of all municipal affairs.

CONTROL OF SPECIAL TAXES. In addition to the usual taxes by Russians and foreigners alike, there are two special taxes, one a kind of excise on wines and spirits, and the other a tax per pound (35 lbs.) weight on all merchandise transported to and from Harbin. These special taxes were collected by the Railway and subsequently divided among the municipalities of Harbin and other towns along the railway line where these bodies exist. The Chinese were not content with this arrangement and the Tientsin demand that the proceeds of these taxes should, in future, be handed to the Chinese Bureau towards the cost of maintaining the Bureau and as a partial contribution to the upkeep of the city police. Formerly the city police were under Russian control but since March, 1921, they have been taken over by the Chinese.

AN ORGY OF TAXATION. Not content with the success of the demands which have been directed to Russians and foreigners alike, the Chinese, who are now having a perfect orgy of taxation, are daily seeking a new excuse for taxing some commodity or other. They demand money from the Council to pay for the police, they levy taxes on brothels on a large scale, and impose stamp tax on all theatre and cinema tickets. These are but a few of the many sources they have discovered for increasing the revenue; but the latest, a kind of lamp tax, is not without a touch of humour. They introduced a regulation under which all houses owned by Russians shall be provided with a lamp giving the number of the house and exhibited over the door. A tax is levied on these lamps which are only procurable from a certain firm which has the sole monopoly of supply. Besides making a good profit out of the sale of these lamps, part of which no doubt finds its way into the pockets of some of the corrupt officials, the Chinese are adding to their revenue.

FINANCIAL CHAOS. Needless to state the finances of the Council are chaotic. The Russians are giving way to the Chinese all the time, and the Chinese, intermixed with the success of their ever insatiable

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## THE POSITION OF FOREIGN RESIDENTS.

The question now arises as to what is the position of the Anglo-Russian agreement of 1914, and whether British subjects are bound by this agreement to pay taxes which are undoubtfully assessed in an arbitrary manner. Under this agreement, which certain other Powers recognized it was permitted to nominate a foreign representative on the Council.

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1/T Calcutta	186
Demand: Calcutta	
On Yokohama	100
Demand: Manila	103
Demand: Singapore	103
Demand: Batavia	133
On Haiphong	Now.
On Saigon	Now.
On Bangkok	87/4
Sovereign	8.20
Gold leaf per Tael	48.20
Salt Silver, ready	35/4
forward	32/4
Bank of England rate	4.42
New York/London	4.39/3

## SUBSIDIARY COINS.

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5	1/2% dis.

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Hongkong March 8, 1922.

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T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

H.K. Observatory, Mar. 8, 1922.

## TIME SIGNALS.

The time ball on Kowloon Signal Hill is dropped daily at 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., except on Saturdays when it is dropped at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. and on Sundays and Holidays when it is dropped at 10 a.m. only.

The anticyclone over China is stationary. Fresh monsoon may be expected along the S.E. Coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 8.91 inches, against an average of 3.69 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO MORROW.

District. Forecast.

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Time signal are also given at night by means of three white lamps mounted vertically on the Observatory wireless mast. From 8h. 56m. 0s. to 9h. 0m. 0s. p.m. the lamps are extinguished momentarily at the even seconds, except at the 2nd, 28th, 50th, 52nd, and 54th of each minute.

The hours refer to Hongkong Standard Time (8 hours of east Greenwich).

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